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We support each other to grow in faith and create a loving and compassionate community.
We aspire to live as Christ's witnesses of God's unconditional love.

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 21-4-24 'The Season of Glad Song has come' (Song of Songs 2:12)

This week: Acts 4:8-12 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18 Next week: Acts 9:26-31; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8



The Season of Easter is a long one, the longest of all the seasons of the Church year: fifty days - over seven weeks!

But that means it can be easy to tire of it, to forget it or overlook it; we slip back into normal gear: for some reason we're not good at remaining joyful for too long!

The celebrations of the Easter Triduum itself renew us, but we forget to see that Easter life extending over nearly one-seventh of the entire year (and not that our celebration of Easter ends with the end of the Easter Season of course).

The words from the Song of Songs (which are on the front page of our bulletin each week during this season) proclaim: 'The season of glad song has come!'

#### So let's continue to sing that song;

to see the life that Easter celebrates reflected in these Easter autumn days; to allow the beauty of the Church decorations to be a sign of the risen life we share; and to allow Easter to be the life we live & the life we share with others.

Fr Colin



# Are you or is someone you know considering becoming a Catholic?



The team from our parish RCIA programme will again be leading the journey guiding and preparing those who wish to become members of the Catholic Church. The process involves a series of meetings in which the various aspects of Catholic faith and life are presented and discussed, and culminates with either baptism or reception into the Catholic Church at Easter 2025.

If you are interested or would like further information please contact Jos Beunen (0427 993 982, jos.beunen@gmail.com) or the Parish Office.

The beautiful experience of Choral Evensong As you know, the Ordinariate of Our Lady of the Southern Cross brings some of the riches of the English Anglican tradition into the Catholic Church. And one special gift is the beautiful service of Choral Evensong. Led by a special visiting choir this now takes place in our Killara church on the 4th Sunday of each month at 4pm.

Why not come along next Sunday 28th?





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This Thursday 25th April 10am Lindfield Church As we gather in worship on this day we acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which our parish is found.

We also pay our respects to Elders past and present.



## A letter to us from Bishop Anthony

Bishop Anthony Randazzo has written to us regarding our Diocesan Safeguarding Awareness Framework and the theme he would like us to focus on this year which is: the Voice of the Vulnerable with a particular focus on Domestic Family Violence.

Please go to our parish website (www.lindfieldkillara.org.au) and click on 'News and Events' and scroll down to 'Bishop Anthony's Letter' - which contains both the letter and the link to a video from Bishop Anthony highlighting support services.

## "Where flowers bloom so does hope."

I hope that I might raise a matter I've alluded to before - which is flowers.



Like everything else they have become more expensive - and the parish certainly cannot possibly afford flowers for both our churches for each week of the year.

The parish does of course provide the flowers for the special times of the year such as Easter and Christmas, but our hope is that we might each year create a fund for flowers to beautify our worship spaces for the rest of the year.

If you could make a contribution to this year's altar flowers fund please scan this QR code and in the drop down menu select 'Flowers Fund' (or just contact the office.)



Many thanks, Fr Colin

## More thoughts on the mystery of Easter....

#### THE MIRACLE OF THE RESURRECTION COMPLETES THE MIRACLE OF CREATION

In the early 1920s, the red-haired Bolshevik fanatic, Nicolai Bukharin (1888-1938), was sent from Moscow to Kiev to address a vast, showpiece, anti-god rally. For an hour and more, he indulged in a tirade against Christianity, bringing to bear all the abuse and ridicule he could muster and demonstrating – to his own satisfaction, at least – that the whole ancient edifice of Christianity was a tissue of lies that now lay in ruins. After a brief, self-congratulatory pause the smug Bukharin waited for applause, but instead, and to his great surprise, a diminutive figure in the crowd put up his hand and asked to speak.

Bukharin, expecting sycophantic agreement, invited him onto the podium and gave him a comradely welcome. But unknown to either Bukharin or the crowd, this unremarkable looking man was a priest and, in a voice whose volume belied his stature, he gave the crowd the ancient liturgical greeting, 'Christos Voskresje ~ Christ is Risen'. Instantly, the whole assembly, until now passive and cowed, rose to their feet and thundered the traditional reply: 'Vojestene Voskresje – He is Risen indeed.'

Seething, the badly shaken Bukharin stormed off. The people remained in stunned, surprised silence. In any circumstance, silence is the only possible or appropriate response to the proclamation of Christ's resurrection: not the silence of doubt or hesitancy, but disciplined, respectful silence before a mystery that exceeds anything that can be thought, said or even imagined: the awed silence that renders redundant any attempt to explain.

The miracle of the resurrection completes the miracle of creation and fulfils the promise written into our very existence. When we entered into the waters of baptism, we entered into the tomb with Christ; and when we rose from those same waters, we passed with him from death to life. As we were joined to him in his death, so were we joined to him in his risen life: which is why St Paul can say that our lives are "hid with Christ in God".

His life is our life, his glory, our glory, his destiny, our destiny. Our death is already behind us. And if we share his life, we share also in his love. By charity, the greatest of the virtues and the greatest of God's gifts, the mutual love that makes us God's friends, we love with his love. Our friendship with him shows itself 2 in our love for all his friends and for all he has created. We share also in his love for us by loving ourselves as God loves us. If we don't love ourselves, we can't love anybody else. And if loving others as we love ourselves is the hallmark of the risen life, even now, patience, understanding, generosity, forgiveness and not just willing but acting for the good of others are the hallmarks of friendship, with God and one another.

The resurrection silences all argument and explanation; it is the full meaning of the crucifixion, the final vindication of the self-sharing love that is friendship. So it is Mary of Magdala who had much forgiven her because she had loved much, who, seeing the Lord first, recognises the friend she thought she had lost when he utters her name, 'Mary'. So it is John, the disciple whom Jesus loved, who enters the tomb and, seeing with the eyes of love, is the first to believe. So it is that the greatest of all Franciscan theologians, St Bonaventure (1221-74), speaking of the empty tomb, can say that love outruns all knowledge. "Where the intellect cannot go, the heart enters with ease". And so: "Rise heart; thy Lord is risen. Sing his praise Without delays, Who takes thee by the hand, that thou likewise With him mayst rise." George Herbert (1593-1633).

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## Reflecting on our Easter and its message for our lives.... Part III

We continue to print the various homilies by Fr Colin and Fr Stephen over the Easter Triduum in the hope that they may offer some food for thought during this Easter Season.

This week we print Fr Stephen's homily on Good Friday......



What are we to make of today?

Ours is a religion that uses an instrument of terrible execution as it's symbol.

A religion that commemorates the execution of Jesus upon that symbol, and then calls it "Good" Friday.

Is today the ultimate act of rebellion against God? As if the sin of our first human parents wasn't enough...

That first sin was an act of rebellion against God - based on the idea that we human beings could get on better without God.

"God is lying to you" is what the tempter said - the temptation was ultimately to believe that God was in some way holding out on our first human parents, and they were better off without him.

Of course, if one has adopted the idea that human beings are better off without God, the persistence of the idea of God is a bit of a problem.

And so perhaps the ultimate act of rebellion against the very idea of God- the ultimate statement of self-sufficiency - is to "kill" God.

And indeed - many have proclaimed that God is dead. Rock stars have proclaimed it, as have benevolent dictators, and even Roman emperors.

For many, the twentieth century might seem like the century where the "idea" of God was finally discredited.

Yet - here we are today.

We can consider the contrast between the Creator, the Creation, and the Created.

The Creator, of course ~ is God.

The Creation, creation in the broader sense.

The Created is us – human beings.

Good Friday is seemingly and act of rebellion, even rejection by the Created. The Created has the Creator put to death.

The Created then buries the Creator in the Creation.

Indeed, it seems as if today the entire Creation tries to swallow the Creator, as Jesus - the second person of the Trinity - He who was there at the beginning when it was said "Let us create" - is placed into the tomb, placed into the bowels of the earth.

The Creation envelops him.

Creation has swallowed the Creator.

Now imagine being inside that tomb. Imagine the pitch blackness. For 3 days Jesus lays there, until the early morning of the day of the Sun.

At first a glint of light. The darkness of the tomb instantaneously recedes. Then, a shaft of light appears as the stone is rolled away. The Sun illuminates the Son - the Son of God.

Creation cannot contain the Creator.

And so whilst it might seem that the Creation had attempted to swallow whole the Creator, it is in fact the Creator who embraces Creation and the Created.

What might have looked like the ultimate act of rebellion is in fact the ultimate act of love by God.

What are we to make of today?

Hopefully we who are here already know the answer to this.

But there are many who are not here today who do not know.

Let us tell them that today is indeed "Good" Friday.

Fr Stephen

#### THE 'VIRTUAL PARISH NOTICEBOARD'

We often receive more notices of upcoming events than we can accommodate in the parish bulletin.

We upload these flyers to our 'Virtual Parish Noticeboard' which you can find on our website under 'News and Events' → 'Virtual Parish Noticeboard.'

Please check it regularly.



## Hymns for the Fourth Sunday of Easter

#### ENTRANCE HYMN CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia! Let all earth and heaven say, Alleluia! Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, O heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia! Vain the stone, the watch, the seal, Alleluia! Christ has burst the gates of hell, Alleluia!

Now he lives, our glorious King, Alleluia! Where, O death, is now your sting? Alleluia! Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia! Where's your victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia! Following our exalted Head, Alleluia! Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Charles Wesley 1707-88

#### HYMN FOR THE DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS

Ref: With a joyful heart, O Lord my God, I bring all to you.

I Behold, O Lord, this bread which we now carry to your altar. This bread will become your body.

2 Behold, O Lord, this wine; accept and bless it for our gladness. This wine will become your blood.

3 We come to you, 0 Lord; we bring the gifts that you have made, the gifts we return to you.

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#### COMMUNION HYMN: LIKE A SHEPHERD

**Refrain:** Like a shepherd he feeds his flock and gathers the lambs in his arms, holding them carefully close to his heart, leading them home.

Say to the cities of Judah: Prepare the way of the Lord. Go to the mountaintop, lift your voice: Jerusalem, here is your God. Refrain

I myself will shepherd them, for others have led them astray. The lost I will rescue and heal their wounds and pasture them, giving them rest. *Refrain* Robert J Dufford © 1976 \*

#### RECESSIONAL HYMN: SING A NEW SONG

**Refrain:** Sing a new song unto the Lord let your song be sung from mountains high. Sing a new song unto the Lord, singing alleluia.

Let God's people dance for joy. O come before the Lord. And play for God on glad tambourines, and let your trumpet sound.

Rise, O children, from your sleep your Saviour now has come. He has turned your sorrow to joy, and filled your soul with song. Refrain

Glad my soul for I have seen the glory of the Lord. The trumpet sounds the dead shall be raised. I know my Saviour lives. *Refrain* 

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(除基督以 外,無論憑誰,決無救援。)

#### 恭讀宗徒大事錄 4:8-12

我們賴以得救。」

- 上主的話。*(默想片刻)* 

#### 答唱詠 詠 118 (117): 1,8-9, 21-23, 26,28-29

【答】:匠人棄而不用的廢石,反而成了屋角的 (詠 118:22) 基石。

領:請你們讚頌上主,因為他是美善寬仁,他的 仁慈永遠常存。投奔到上主的懷抱,遠遠勝過信 賴世人。投奔到上主的懷抱,遠遠勝過信賴官僚。

領:我感謝你,因為你應允了我,並將你的救恩賜給了我。匠人棄而不用的廢石,反而成了屋角的基石;這是上主的所作所為,在我們眼中神妙 莫測。【答】

領:奉上主之名而來的,應受讚頌。我們要由 上主的聖殿祝福你們。你是我的天主,我感謝 你;我的天主,我高聲頌揚你。請你們讚頌上主,因為他是美善寬仁,他的仁慈永遠常存。 [答]

(我 們要看見他實在怎樣。) 2

### 恭讀聖若望一書 3:1-2

親愛的諸位:

請看:父賜給我們何等的愛情,使我們得稱為天主的子女,而且我們也真是如此。世界所以不認識我們,是因為不認識父。

可愛的諸位,現在我們是天主的子女,但我 們將來如何,還沒有顯明;可是,我們知道: 一顯明了,我們必要相似他,因為我們要看見 他實在怎樣。

-- 上主的話。*(默想片刻)* 

#### 福音前歓呼 (若 10:14)

領:亞肋路亞。

眾:亞肋路亞。

領:主說:我是善牧,我認識我的羊,我的羊也 認識我。

眾:亞肋路亞。

(善 *牧為羊捨掉自己的性命。)* 

上主的話。(講道

北區

#### **恭讀聖若望福音 10:11-18**

那時候,耶穌說:「我是善牧:善牧為羊捨 掉自己的性命。傭工,因為不是牧人,羊也不 是他自己的,一看見狼來,便棄羊逃跑;狼就 抓住羊,把羊趕散了;因為他是傭工,對羊漠

「我是善牧,我認識我的羊,我的羊也認識我,正如父認識我,我也認識父一樣;我並且為羊捨掉我的性命。我還有其他羊,還不屬於這一棧,我也該把他們領來,他們要聽我的聲音;這樣,將只有一個羊群,一個牧人。

「父愛我,因為我捨掉我的性命,為再取回 它。誰也不能奪去我的性命,而是我甘心情願 捨掉它。我有權捨掉它,我也有權再取回它: 這是我由我父所接受的命令。」

#### 後默想片刻()

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#### PRAYER OF WELCOME AT BAPTISM

Celebrant:

God has brought you out of darkness into his marvellous light.

**All:** Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father.

God has called you into the Church.

#### A11:

We therefore receive and welcome you as a member with us of the body of Christ, as a child of the one heavenly father, and as an inheritor of the kingdom of God.



We welcome into our family of faith today

Frankie Miya Cabill, child of Mari and Richard

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Eli Lenny Henriksen, child of Tara and Leon

#### THE PRAYERS AND RESPONSES OF MASS

#### GLORIA:

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

#### THE PSALM Ps 117 (118):1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28-29

Give thanks to the Lord for the Lord is good, for God's love has no end. It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in human beings: it is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes.

I will thank you for you have given answer and you are my saviour. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.

Blessed in the name of the Lord is the one who comes. We bless you from the house of the Lord; I will thank you for you have given answer and you are my saviour. Give thanks to the Lord for the Lord is good; for God's love has no end.

#### THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, (all bow at the following words in bold): who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

suffered under Pontius Pilate. was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

born of the Virgin Mary,

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION John 10:14)

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

#### MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

#### FR RICHARD ROHR OFM'S MEDITATION: PRACTISING SABBATH

For many practicing Jews and Christians, Sabbath rest is an one found "rest" (paradoxically) not in stillness and in essential practice to "tend the fire within." Biblical scholar repose but in more labour—a different kind of labour, Renita J. Weems recalls the Sabbath of her childhood:

Once upon a time Sunday was a special day, a holy day, a day different from the other six days of the week .... This bodies as well. We used our bodies to help celebrate God's was a time when [Black] people like those I grew up with gift of the Sabbath. For the Sabbath meant more than still believed that it was enough to spend six days a week trying to eke out a living, ... fretting over the future, despairing over whether life would ever get better for [us]. After a week of the body toiling away in inane work and the Lord's Day, a momentary cease-fire in our ongoing struggle aside to recultivate the soul's appreciation for beauty, truth, to survive and an opportunity to surrender ourselves to the love, and eternity. rest only God offered. Come Sunday, we set aside our worries about the mundane and renewed our love affair with eternity....

Our working-class hearts were ultimately fixed on one thing alone. Sunday held out to us the promise that we might enter our tiny rough-hewn sanctuary and find sanctity and blessing from a week of loss and indignities. Remembering the Sabbath where I grew up involved delighting oneself for a full twenty-four hours, ultimately in good company, with fine clothes and choice meals. The Sabbath allowed us to mend our tattered lives and restore dignity to our souls. We rested by removing ourselves from the mundane sphere of secular toil and giving ourselves over fully to the divine dimension, where in God's presence

however. We sang, waved, cried, shouted, and when we felt led to do so, danced as a way of restoring dignity to our withdrawal from labour and activity. It meant to consciously enter into a realm of tranquillity and praise.

Six days of worrying were enough. The Sabbath was the spirit being assaulted with insult and loss, Sunday was set

Weems acknowledges that Sabbath is difficult to maintain, but can be a healing balm if practiced:

The Lord's Day allows us to bring our souls, our emotions, our senses, our vision, and even our bodies back to God so that God might remember our tattered, broken selves and put our priorities back in order. The Sabbath makes sure we have the time to do what's really important and be with those we really care about.

I miss the Sabbath of my childhood. I miss believing in the holiness of time. I miss believing there was a day when time stood still. There's virtually little in this culture, and hardly anything in my adult comings and goings, to serve as a timely reminder of how precious time really is, to remind me of sacred moments.

#### **SUNDAY MASS**

#### Killara Church:

9.00am 5:30pm Vigil

#### **Lindfield Church**

6.00pm Vigil 8.30 am 10.15am \*\* 12 noon Chinese Mass 6:00pm Youth Mass\*

\* On the 3rd Sunday of the month the 6pm Youth Mass is followed by a Parish Pizza Night in St Brigid's Hall.

\*\* The 10:15am Mass on the 2nd & 4th Sundays is a Children's Mass, featuring our Children's Choir (followed by morning tea).

#### **WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK:**

Mon: 8am Killara Tues. 8am Killara Wed. 10am Lindfield

Thurs.: 10am Lindfield (ANZAC Day - see p.1) Fri.: 10am Lindfield (Feast of St Mark, evangelist)

#### THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays for 15 mins after Vigil Mass at Killara Saturdays 5.15 - 5.45pm at Lindfield



#### THE ORDINARIATE OF OUR LADY OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS (GATHERING IN OUR CHURCH AT KILLARA):

Wednesday 6pm (preceded by Exposition from 5pm) Thursday 9am Friday 9am Sunday 12 noon

Evensong

4th Sunday of the month 4pm

SUNDAY MASS ROSTER					
Saturday		20 Apr.	27 Apr.		
Lindfield	6:00 pm	Fr Colin	Fr Stephen		
Killara	5:30 pm	Fr Stephen	Fr Colin		
Sunday		21 Apr.	28 Apr.		
Lindfield	8:30 am	Fr Colin	Fr Stephen		
Killara	9:00 am	Fr Stephen	Fr Colin		
Lindfield	10:15 am	Fr Colin	Fr Stephen		
Lindfield	12:00 pm	Fr David Ranson	Fr Joey Frez		
Lindfield	6:00pm	Fr Colin	Fr Colin		

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The **TAP MACHINES** are available in our two churches.



8:00am Every Wednesday: Meditation (online)

#### APRIL

Sun. 21st	7:00pm	Parish Pizza Night
	-	following the 6pm Mass
Wed. 24th	10:00am	Parish Book Group
Sun. 28th	10:15am	Children's Mass followed
		by children's activities and
		morning tea for all.
Tues. 30th	7pm	ALPHA begins (see p.1)

#### May

Adult ed. Session 1

	7:00pm	Adult ed. Session1 (online
	8:00pm	Parish Pastoral Council
Sun. 5th	-	PARISH ASSEMBLY
Tues. 7th	6:00pm	Woods Cottage Committee
	7:00pm	Alpha
Wed.8th	11:00am	Adult ed. Session 2
	7:30pm	Adult ed. Session2 (online
Fri. 10th	10:00am	Healing Mass and

morning tea Sun. 12th

11:00am

Wed.1st

**MOTHERS' DAY** 10:15am Children's Mass followed by children's activities and morning tea for all.

#### **MINISTRY ROSTER** 20 & 21 Apr. 27 & 28 Apr. Reader - Ann McCarthy, [K] Sat [K] Sat Reader - Linda Kugel Server - Andrew Borzycki Lucie Cannell 5:30pm 5:30pm Server - Mary Warren Reader - Ken Sheridan [L] Sat [L] Sat Reader - Andrew & Sally Giles Server - Richard Murray, Server - Rocco Mimmo 6pm 6pm Mary Moran Reader - Elizabeth Reedy, Reader - Garth Gum Gee, [L] Sun [L] Sun Graham Barter Teresa Lee 8:30am Server - Jos Beunen 8:30am Server - James Yu [K] Sun Reader - Maryann Haffenden [K] Sun Reader - Amanda Chong Woo Server - Christine Yates Server - Christine Yates 9am 9am Reader - CHILDREN'S MASS [L] Sun Reader - Christian Garling [L] Sun Server - Jonathan Smirniotis, Server - Irene Chan 10:15am 10:15am Dominic Taranto. Alex Solomon, Katie Edgerton Reader - Isla Budge, Reader - Ian Newbrun, [L] Sun Ella Townsend [L] Sun Server - Elizabeth Chang, Chris White, Alecia Willet, John Cahill 6pm 6pm Server - Vera Fiala Liz Brugmans [L] Morning Tea - Jane & Peter Solomon Counter - Peter & Veronica Wade, Counter - Aida Casorzo, Christian Garling Robert Cahill. Rose Simon

## Tord, in Jesus your Son, you restored to us the gift of everlasting life. Grant that life to:

**Recently deceased:** Max Coleman, Fay McManus, Eric Atkins, Peter Hutchings, Sean Diggins, Linda Yee, Evangeline Santillan, Kath Evans, Vito Zepinic, Grass, John Webb, Patrick Haynes. Anniversary: Leif Weidlich.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Evina Wong, King Charles III, Mary Moran, Peter Tsang, Wolfgang Liers, Tanya Walsh, Jutta Mathur, Jessica Keen, Therese Playoust, Ali Crawford, Morna Sutherland, Barbara McMullen, Nicholas Sutherland, Jesse Langford, Anthony Ellison, Cyril Ferriere, Alex Noble, William Wise, Opheilia Mari Umali, Rosanna Comastri, Janette Brennan, Dr Frank Hume.

## Our coming Parish Assembly: a change of date - the date draws nearer...

As you know, Pope Francis is calling the Church to a more 'synodal' way of being and acting - working together, collaborating and dialoguing, so as to discern God's path for us.

Our Parish Pastoral Council has therefore agreed that, in addition to the PPC's own role of representing the parish, we will as a whole parish, come together in a synodal assembly as it were, once or twice a year to reflect, listen and discuss so as to discern what God's Spirit is calling us to be and to do as a parish community.

The date for our first parish gathering has been changed to
Sunday 5th May
beginning with brunch after 10:15am Mass and then a time of
discernment together until 2pm.

#### What is this about?

'Synodal' comes from two Greek words meaning 'travelling on the road together'

Pope Francis invites us to discern with the Holy Spirit (rather than our own will!) is calling us to be and to do.

By gathering and *listening* and discussing we aim to identify the priorities for our parish life and ministry to which God is calling us.

Please be part of this initiative to make us a Spirit-led community of faith.

WE CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU!





# May day......May day May we interest you in nourishing the spirit in the month of May?

Last year Pope Francis invited the renowned Dominican preacher and writer, Fr Timothy Radcliffe, to give a retreat of six reflections to the participants in the Synod in Rome last October.

Fr Timothy's reflections are always deeply insightful and yet earthed and practical.

As the videos of these talks are available I thought it might be good for us to watch them together and then explore and discuss them and draw wisdom and challenge fro our own life from them.

We would do three sessions in May, and the final three sessions later in the year - so hopefully it can be fitted in the diary.

Each time there would be an alternative daytime session in the Parish Centre after the morning 10am Mass and an evening session online via Zoom.

#### FIRST SESSION:

#### Wednesday 1st May

10:30am-11:30am (in person)

7:00-8:00pm (via Zoom) Please note: date change

#### SECOND SESSION:

Wednesday 8th May

10:30-11:30am (in person) 7:30-8:30pm (via Zoom)

#### THIRD SESSION:

Wednesday 22nd May 7:30-8:30pm (via Zoom)
Thursday 23rd May: 10:30-11:30am (in person)

So that we know we have sufficient numbers interested please use this QR code to put your name down (under 'Activity' put 'Timothy Radcliffe sessions' and whether you prefer daytime or evening). Or just contact the Parish Office. Fr Colin





The Tord has risen, alleluia! He has truly risen, alleluia!

# Youth News!

# "Little Slice of Heaven" Pizza night this weekend!



Join us this Sunday night (April 21st) for our monthly pizza night after the 6pm Youth and Family Mass.

> Where? St Brigid's Hall, Lindfield Church Gold coin donation is appreciated



## Children's Mass



Our next Children's Mass and choir will be on next Sunday the 28th of April at 10:15am.

Join us for our year 3-6 program, COG from 11:10 -12pm after the Children's Mass.

What is (Children of God)

COG is our Catholic faith delivered in a new and exciting way for young people in years 3 - 6. Meets from 11.15-12pm after Children's Mass. (Morning tea provided.)

Dive deep and learn about God through games, music and activitie Please register interest here



Exodus 12:5

"The lamb must be a one-year-old male. It must have nothing wrong with it. This animal can be either a young sheep or a young goat."

> DOES ANYONE HAVE A READING FROM EXODUS 12 VERSE 8?

## CHILDREN & YOUTH

PERMISSION FORM FOR PARTICIPATION

If you haven't completed the form for your child(ren) already, please scan the QR code to sign-up, or enter below link on your browser thank you:

https://lindfieldkillara.chmeetings.com/ forms/CBF1EE1F12CD9BDD



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